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The third edition of Dr. Lovett's book shows some change of treatment and a more vigorous advocacy of forcible correction and the use of gymnastic exercises. A chapter on the history of scoliosis has also been added which shows that this condition was known to the earliest writers of medical books.

NURSING PROBLEMS AND OBLIGATIONS. By Sara E. Parsons, R.N., Superintendent of the Training School for Nurses, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston. Whitcomb and Barrows, Boston. Price, \$1.00.

When Dr. Billings advised nurses "be good women but don't have a code of ethics," his advice was considered good. It is still good, so far as a *code* is concerned, since no set of rules however diversified could begin to cover the many situations that arise, to confront and confound the nurse. Miss Parsons has hit upon the answer to the problem, insisting on the development of character in the probationer and pupil nurse. In urging upon her the early recognition of her responsibilities, her code includes many commandments in the positive, few or none in the negative. "Thou shalt," is the rule; seldom, "Thou shalt not."

"Just as the nurse must discover the underlying principles of all nursing procedures, so must she endeavor to learn and practice right methods of reasoning about conduct; and if she does so she will never quite be helpless in any kind of emergency." This double fidelity Miss Parsons insists must be carried through the whole of the nurse's career. Graduation adds to the responsibilities, as the need of loyally upholding and serving her alumnae association; her part in maintaining and forwarding such agencies as the County, State and National Societies; and of assisting by subscription and contribution to the national magazine, the *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING*, also of creating in every large city a Central Directory; these are some of the more obvious duties to which the nurse must never fail to give her loyal support.

Following this course, and upon such a foundation of technical skill, fortified by character, there is no opportunity which the nurse cannot embrace and she may bring her offering of service to many an unlooked-for port.

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY FOR NURSES. By John McWilliams Berry, M.D. Clinical Professor of Orthopedics and Rontgenology at the Albany Medical College, New York. W. B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia and London. Price, \$1.00.

The early recognition of orthopedic deformities is of the greatest importance in the treatment and cure; the present volume aims to assist in the observation and recognition of deformities by which much suffering may be saved.

The subject covers the congenital deformities and those acquired which latter may result from disease, as poliomyelitis, etc., or from improper feeding and malnutrition. The text is illustrated by copious free hand outline drawings.